

**WASHINGTON STATE BOUNDARY REVIEW BOARD
FOR KING COUNTY**

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

June 8, 2006

King County DDES Conference Site
Renton, Washington

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Charles Booth convened the meeting at 7:00 P.M.

II MEMBERSHIP

Chair Booth introduced Roberta Lewandowski, who is newly appointed to the Boundary Review Board by the Office of the King County Executive. Ms. Lewandowski is recently retired from the City of Redmond where she served as Director of Community Development. She is active in the Washington Chapter of the American Planning Association.

Chair Booth also welcomed Robert George who will begin his official service to the Boundary Review Board on June 9, 2006 as a representative of Special Purpose Districts.

On behalf of the entire Boundary Review Board and staff, Chair Booth expressed deep appreciation to Ethel Hanis who completes her services to the Board at this Regular Meeting.

III ROLL CALL

Evangeline Anderson	Robert Cook
A. J. Culver	Ethel Hanis
Claudia Hirschey	Roberta Lewandowski
Michael Marchand	Judy Tessandore (via Conference Call)
Robert George (Guest)	

IV MINUTES

A. REGULAR MEETING:

Chair Booth presented the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 11, 2006 for review and action by the Board members.

Action: A. J. Culver moved and Evangeline Anderson seconded the motion to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 11, 2006. The Board members voted seven in favor of approval of this record. Roberta Lewandowski and Judy Tessandore abstained as they did not attend the meeting.

B. SPECIAL MEETING/PUBLIC HEARING - FILE NO. 2197 (MAY 4, 2006):

Chair Booth presented the minutes of the Special Meeting/Public Hearing of May 4, 2006 for File No. 2197 for review and action by the Board members.

Action: A. J. Culver moved and Ethel Hanis seconded the motion to adopt the minutes of the Special Meeting/Public Hearing of May 4, 2006 for File No. 2197. The Board members voted eight in favor of approval of this record. Roberta Lewandowski abstained as she did not attend the meeting.

C. SPECIAL MEETING - FILE NO. 2194 (MAY 8, 2006):

Chair Booth presented the minutes of the Special Meeting of May 8, 2006 for File No. 2194 for review and action by the Board members.

Action: A. J. Culver moved and Evangeline Anderson seconded the motion to adopt the minutes of the Special Meeting of May 8, 2006 for File No. 2194. The Board members voted seven in favor of approval of this record. Roberta Lewandowski and Judy Tessandore abstained as they did not attend the meeting.

D. SPECIAL MEETING - FILE NO. 2197 (MAY 8, 2006):

Chair Booth presented the minutes of the Special Meeting of May 8, 2006 for File No. 2197 for review and action by the Board members.

A. J. Culver requested that the minutes be amended to reflect the fact that he had intended to oppose the proposed Maplewood Addition Area Annexation (Option 2).

Action: Robert Cook moved and A. J. Culver seconded the motion to adopt the minutes (as amended) of the Special Meeting of May 8, 2006 for File No. 2197. Seven Board members voted in favor of approval of the amended record. Claudia Hirschey opposed approval of the amended record. Roberta Lewandowski abstained as she did not attend the meeting.

E. SPECIAL MEETING/PUBLIC HEARING - FILE NO. 2222 (MAY 16, 2006):

Chair Booth presented the minutes of the Special Meeting/Public Hearing of May 16, 2006 for File No. 2222 for review and action by the Board members.

Action: Robert Cook moved and Ethel Hanis seconded the motion to adopt the minutes of the Special Meeting/Public Hearing of May 16, 2006 for File No. 2222. The Board members voted seven in favor of approval of this record. Evangeline Anderson and Roberta Lewandowski abstained as they did not attend the meeting.

E. SPECIAL MEETING/PUBLIC HEARING - FILE NO. 2222 (MAY 22, 2006):

Chair Booth presented the minutes of the Special Meeting/Public Hearing of May 16, 2006 for File No. 2222 for review and action by the Board members.

Action: Robert Cook moved and Michael seconded the motion to adopt the minutes of the Special Meeting/Public Hearing of May 22, 2006 for File No. 2222. The Board members voted seven in favor of approval of this record. Roberta Lewandowski and Judy Tessandore abstained as they did not attend the meeting.

V. RESOLUTIONS AND HEARING DECISIONS

A. RESOLUTION & HEARING DECISION - FILE NO. 2194

Chair Booth presented the Preliminary Resolution and Hearing Decision for File No. 2194, to modify the boundaries of the proposed City of Fairwood and to recommend denial of the proposed incorporation of this new jurisdiction.

Chair Booth invited Board members to discuss this Preliminary Resolution and Hearing Decision and to come to a final decision in the matter of File No. 2194. The following comments were offered:

- The Fiscal Feasibility Analysis for the new City of Fairwood does determine that the City's funding base would be limited. However, this base does appear to be sufficient to permit the City of succeed.
- The Fairwood community would encounter expenditures – at start-up and over time – that would require citizens to receive limited services and/or provide for increased revenue (i.e., implement taxes and fees).

- Residential properties in the Fairwood community now provide property tax funding adequate to serve the community; resources of residents appear sufficient to support tax increases that are necessary or desired to provide governance and services to the community.
- The Fiscal Feasibility Analysis demonstrates that citizens would be faced with minimally sufficient (or insufficient) funding to ensure the governance and services necessary to provide for public welfare.
- Incorporation of a new city with the reported funding base would be inconsistent with the criteria (established in RCW 36.93) upon which the board must make a decision for the future governance of an area.

Action: Ethel Hanis moved and Michael Marchand seconded the motion to adopt the Resolution and Hearing Decision for File No. 2194, the decision to modify the boundaries of the proposed City of Fairwood and the decision to recommend denial of the proposed incorporation of this new jurisdiction.

The Board members voted four in favor of and three in opposition to the Hearing and Resolution Decision. Voting in favor were Evangeline Anderson, Ethel Hanis, Claudia Hirschey, and Michael Marchand. Voting in opposition were Charles Booth, Robert Cook, and A. J. Culver. Roberta Lewandowski and Judy Tessandore abstained.

B. RESOLUTION & HEARING DECISION - FILE NO. 2197

Chair Booth presented the Preliminary Resolution and Hearing Decision for File No. 2197, to approve, with modifications, the annexation by the City of Renton of the Maplewood Addition Area (Option 2).

Chair Booth invited the Board to discuss this Preliminary Resolution and Hearing Decision and to come to a final decision in the matter of File No. 2197. The following comments and questions were offered:

- The Boundary Review Board has the opportunity to approve the presented Resolution and Hearing Decision.
- Alternatively, the Board could direct staff to provide a Resolution and Hearing Decision supporting the Maplewood Addition Area annexation with revisions to the boundaries. The Board could direct staff to prepare a Resolution and Hearing decision denying the annexation.
- The Board could also choose to take no action in this matter. If the Board elects to take no action then the City of Renton is permitted, under RCW 36.93, to pursue annexation of the originally presented Maplewood Addition Area (60.5 acres).

Action: A.J. Culver moved and Claudia Hirschey seconded the motion to adopt the Resolution and Hearing Decision for File No. 2197, to approve with modifications the annexation by the City of Renton of the Maplewood Addition Area. The Board members voted eight in favor of approval of this Hearing and Resolution Decision. One member abstained as she did not attend the meeting.

Voting in favor were Evangeline Anderson, Charles Booth, Robert Cook, A. J. Culver, Ethel Hanis, Claudia Hirschey, Michael Marchand, and Judy Tessandore. Roberta Lewandowski abstained.

C. RESOLUTION & HEARING DECISION - FILE NO. 2222

Chair Booth presented the Preliminary Resolution and Hearing Decision for File No. 2222, to approve, with modifications, the annexation by the City of Renton of the Querin Area.

Chair Booth invited the Board to discuss this Preliminary Resolution and Hearing Decision and to come to a final decision in the matter of File No. 2222. The Board members offered no comments or questions with respect to the proposed Resolution and Hearing Decision.

Action: Michael Marchand moved and Robert Cook seconded the motion to adopt the Resolution and Hearing Decision for File No. 2222, to approve with modifications the annexation by the City of Renton of the Querin Area. The Board members voted seven in favor of approval of this Hearing and Resolution Decision. Voting in favor were Charles Booth, Robert Cook, A. J. Culver, Ethel Hanis, Claudia Hirschey, Michael Marchand, and Judy Tessandore. Evangeline Anderson and Roberta Lewandowski abstained.

VI. ADMINISTRATION

A. CHAIR'S REPORT

General Business:

Chair Charles Booth and Lenora Blauman reported that the Board is currently working on several projects including: (1) coordinating programs with King County Executive/Council Work Program; (2) coordinating activities with the State Association to establish Work Program at Interim Legislature 2006 and Legislature 2007; (3) administration of the proposed Boulevard Park Incorporation; (4) pre-development review for future Notices of Intention; and (5) monitoring of the Year 2006 Budget and planning for Year 2007 Budget Proposal. Committee members and staff will report on these activities.

Committee Assignments:

Chair Booth reported that, with changes to the Boundary Review Board roster, it is necessary to modify committee membership. Chair Booth proposed a new membership assignment roster (See Attachment A).

Board members were invited to review the roster and to notify Chair Booth by June 15 of acceptance or requests for changes in assignments.

B. Committee Reports

Budget Committee: A. J. Culver and Lenora Blauman reported that the Boundary Review Board is beginning to prepare the Year 2007 Budget Proposal. The Proposal will be completed following review by the Board Budget Committee.

Budget requirements must be based upon the number and complexity of Notices of Intention likely to come before the Board. Utilizing 2005 and 2006 as models for funding requirements – and in accord with the King County Annexation Initiative together with new state laws supporting annexations and incorporations -- the Board may find it necessary to seek increased basic funding to address administrative requirements (e.g., legal notices, court reporting) and for staffing services.

In addition, the Board is working with Special Assistant Attorney Robert Kaufman to adjust his retainer and fees in order to provide funding that reflects current services and fees. As required, by the Boundary Review Board Rules, the Personnel Committee will meet with the Budget Committee to establish a specific proposal for fee adjustment. The Personnel Committee will meet on this matter on June 8, 2006.

C. Executive Secretary's Report

File No. 2231 City of Renton – East Renton Plateau

Lenora Blauman reported that the Board has agreed to conduct a public hearing to consider the City of Renton Preserve Our Plateau Annexation (POPA) at public hearings scheduled for June 14 and June 15, 2006.

The Preserve Our Plateau Annexation is being proposed under a petition/election method. Citizens have petitioned the City of Renton at this time to annexation the jurisdiction in order to participate in a local government and to ensure coordinated public facilities and services to the existing and potential future residents of this community.

The City of Renton is seeking a Public Hearing before the Boundary Review Board to enable citizens to review the proposed Preserve Our Plateau Annexation under the aegis of an independent agency. Under the proposed annexation, the City will also conduct an election to enable each citizen to make a decision as to whether to annex to Renton.

A complete packet of information has been provided to the Board.

North Highline: Citizens of the North Highline Area continue to meet with King County officials, with representatives of Seattle and Burien, and with special purpose district providers to consider option for future governance of their area. Seattle is considering inclusion of North Highline in its Comprehensive Plan Potential Annexation Area. Burien is also considering inclusion of North Highline in its Comprehensive Plan Potential Annexation Area. The future designation for this area likely will be established in the near term.

D. CORRESPONDENCE

General correspondence was reviewed briefly. No questions or issues were raised with respect to the substance of the general correspondence.

VII NEW BUSINESS

A. NOTICES OF INTENTION

File No. 2234 Southwest Suburban Sewer District – 2006-03 Seahurst Island Annexation:

Mrs. Blauman reported that the Southwest Suburban Sewer District has proposed annexation of 61 acres of territory located wholly within the City of Burien. The District is responding to a citizen petition seeking affiliation with the District in order to obtain sewer services for existing and permitted future residential uses. The District includes this territory within its approved Comprehensive Sewer Plan.

Board members asked no substantive questions in the matter of File No. 2234.

B. PENDING FILES

Auburn	Bellevue	Issaquah
Kirkland	Redmond	Renton (13 files)
Ronald Sewer District	Sammamish	Soos Creek
SW Suburban Sewer District	Tukwila	Woodinville

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Action: *Ethel Hanis moved and Robert Cook seconded a motion to adjourn the Boundary Review Board Regular Meeting. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 P.M.*